## SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY, 1940

## COMMUNICATION

FROM

## THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1940

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THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, March 4, 1939.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the Civil Aeronautics Authority for the fiscal year 1940, amounting to \$7,300,000, to be immediately available.

The details of the estimate, the necessity therefor, and the reason for its submission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Bureau of the Budget, Washington, February 27, 1939.

The President,

The White House.

Sir: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the Civil Aeronautics Authority for the fiscal year 1940, amounting to \$7,300,000 to be immediately available, as follows:

## CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY

Civilian pilot training, Civil Aeronautics Authority.—For all necessary expenses of the Civil Aeronautics Authority in conducting, under regulations to be prescribed by the Authority, a civilian pilot training program, including studies and researches as to the most desirable qualifications for aircraft pilots, and including the purchase, lease, exchange, acceptance of loans, or acquisition otherwise, operation, repair, and maintenance, of such real and personal property as may be necessary in the conduct of the program, fiscal year 1940, \$7,300,000, to be immediately available: *Provided*, That the Authority is authorized to carry out such training program either through the use of its own facilities and personnel or by contract with educational institutions or other persons (as defined in section 1 (27), Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938): Provided further, That in the expenditure of this appropriation, and for the purpose of carrying out its provisions, the Authority, in addition to the powers hereby conferred and imposed upon it, may exercise all powers conferred upon said Authority by the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938: Provided further, That appointments of personnel for temporary service without regard to the provisions of the civil-service laws and regulations and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, may be for periods not in excess of 1 year in any one case: Provided further, That the provisions of section 3709 of the Revised Statutes shall not apply to the acquisition of training aircraft or to the contracts with educational institutions and other persons hereinbefore authorized: *Provided further*, That all fees collected by the Authority from students are hereby appropriated to the use of the Authority for the purposes hereof and shall be credited to this appropriation: Provided further. That any executive department or independent establishment is authorized to cooperate with the Authority in carrying out the purposes of this appropriation, and for such purpose may lend or transfer to the Authority, by contract or otherwise, or, if so requested by the Authority, to any educational institution or other person cooperating with the Authority in the conduct of the program, aeronautical or other officers, experts, or employees, aircraft, or other property or equipment, and lands or buildings, under its control: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available for payment of premiums for insuring students against loss of life, personal injury, liability, and other hazards in such amounts as may be determined by the Authority, except that no policy for loss of life shall call for payment of a principal sum in excess of \$5,000 (52 Stat. 973-987).

Under the provisions of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 the Authority, through the Administrator, is empowered and directed to encourage and foster the development of civil aeronautics. It is proposed to accomplish this in part through a civilian pilot training program, which program will provide a trained reserve of competent and efficient pilots for service in our expanding air transport system and in addition form an important adjunct to an adequate national defense. This program will provide for the primary training of approximately 20,000 citizens and is in accord with one of the recommendations contained in your message to Congress of January 12, 1939.

In order to enter the fiscal year 1940 with an effective program, it will be necessary for the Authority to undertake certain preliminary work prior to July 1, 1939. For this reason provision is made to make the funds immediately available.

This supplemental estimate of appropriation is required to meet a contingency which has arisen since the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal year 1940 and its approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

D. W. BELL,

Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget.